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negotiations. This is another indication of the necessity for the Soviets to placate the Bulgarians.

7. The significance of this situation is very clear [redacted]

[redacted] It means that they are grasping at the straw of trade [redacted] in spite of Soviet opposition in order to keep open the only possible contact with the West, and particularly with the US, hoping that some miracle will occur that will permit eventual release from Soviet domination. [redacted]

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